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## These Groups are from The 72 Sects

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## The Obligation of Warning the Youth and the General People from Groups, Parties, and Sects

The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفْظَةُ اللَّهِ) was asked: Is it permissible for the ‘ulamaa (scholars) to clarify to the youth and general people and warn them from the dangers of hizbiyyah (party partisanship), dividing into sects, and groups?

So his eminence answered: Yes, it is obligatory to clarify the dangers of hizbiyyah (party partisanship) and the dangers of dividing and splitting into sects so that the people can be upon certain knowledge. Even the general people are now duped and misled by some of these groups thinking that they (i.e. these groups) are upon the truth, so it is imperative to clarify to the students and the general people the danger of these parties and sects because if they (i.e. the ‘ulamaa) were silent the people would say: They (i.e. the ‘ulamaa) were aware of this and they were silent about it. So they (i.e. the people) enter into misguidance from this angle. Therefore, it is imperative to make the clarification when matters such as these occur, and the danger that the general people are in is greater than the danger that the students are in because the general people, when the ‘ulamaa (scholars) are silent, believe that this (i.e. what those groups and parties are upon) is that which is correct and that this (i.e. what those groups and parties are upon) is that which is the truth.



The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفَظَهُ اللهُ) was asked: Does clarifying some of the errors in the books of *Hizbiyyah* (party partisanship) or the books of groups that have newly arrived in our country assert slander and attacking the *Du’aat* (callers to Allaah)?

So his eminence answered: No...This is not slandering and attacking the *Du’aat* (callers to Allaah) since these books are not books of da’wah (in truth). The writers of these books and those who posses these ideologies are not from the callers to Allaah who call based upon keen insight, upon knowledge, and upon the truth.

So when we clarify the errors of these books or these callers, it is not from the angle of criticizing their personalities. Rather, it is only *Naseehah* (sincere advice) to the *Ummah* (muslim nation) so that notorious ideologies are not seeped into it (i.e. this ummah) of which the end result is fitnah (trials and tribulation), splitting of the ranks, and dividing of the Jamaa’ah (the saved and aided group). Our objective and aim is not personalities. Our objective and aim is those ideologies that are present in books that have come to us in the name of da’wah (calling to Allaah).

## The Text of the Book

His eminence, the Imaam, Shaykhul Islaam, the esteemed Shaykh, ‘Abdul ‘Azeez bin Baaz, (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) was asked about the hadeeth of the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)

وَتَفْتَرِقُ أُمَّتِي عَلَى ثَلَاثٍ وَسَبْعِينَ مِلَّةً كُلُّهُمْ فِي النَّارِ إِلَّا مِلَّةً وَاحِدَةً قَالُوا وَمَنْ هِيَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ قَالَ مَا أَنَا عَلَيْهِ وَأَصْحَابِي

...and my ummah (muslim nation) will be divided into seventy three sects. All of them will be in the Hellfire except one. It was said: Who are they, O Messenger of Allaah? He said: Whoever is upon that which I and my companions are upon today.

Jamaa’ah at-Tableegh, with all that is with them of shirk (associating partners with Allaah, calling on other than Allaah along with Allaah) and bid’ah (innovation), and *Ikhwaan al-Muslimeen*, with all that is with them of *Hizbiyyah* (party partisanship), disobeying the rulers, and not hearing and obeying (the rulers), are these two sects from the sects (of Hell)?!!

So his eminence stated: Whoever opposes the ‘*Aqeedah* (the creed and belief) of *Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa’ah* is entered into the seventy three sects...and whoever makes their bid’ah (innovation) apparent openly showing it is from the seventy two sects...and within these sects is he who is a Kaafir (disbeliever), he who is a sinner, and he who is a Muftadi’ (deviant)...

The Questioner asks: Are these two sects, meaning the Tableegh and the Ikhwaan, from the seventy two sects?

So his eminence stated: They are from the seventy two sects...and the *Khawaarij* are from the seventy two sects...

The Questioner says: May Allaah reward you with good, O Shaykh.

[Taken from the tape “*As’ilah Taa’if*” (The Questions of Taa’if) and recorded in the year 1419 H]

The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفْظَةُ اللَّهِ) in his book “*Lumhah ‘an al-Firq ad-Dhaalah*” (A Glance at the Deviant Sects) pg. 60, he says: And those groups that are present today that are in opposition to the Jamaa’ah of Ahlus Sunnah and are branches and extensions of these sects (i.e. branches of those original sects that began at the end of the time of the companions, (رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ) that are from the seventy two sects).

The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفْظَةُ اللَّهِ) was asked: Are these groups entered into the seventy two destroyed sects?

So his eminence answered in the book “*al-Ajwibah al-Mufeedah ‘an As’ilah al-Manaahij al-Jadeedah*” (Beneficial Answers Regarding Questions on the New Methodologies) pg. 16: Yes, everyone who opposes *Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa’ah* from those that ascribe themselves to Islaam with regards to da’wah (calling to Allaah) or ‘aqeedah (creed and belief) or anything from the fundamentals of eemaan (faith), then he is most certainly entered into the seventy two sects. This is inclusive of punishment in the hereafter, and one will be punished according to the extent of his opposition and deviance.

His eminence, The Imaam, Shaykhul Islaam, the ‘Allaamah, the Muhaddith of the era, the esteemed Shaykh, Naasirud Deen al-Albaanee, (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ) in the book, “*al-Fataawaa*” pg. 114, he states: These parties, I do not believe that they are upon the straight path. Rather, I am absolutely certain that they are upon those paths that at the head of every one of them is a shaytaan (devil) calling the people to it (i.e. those misguided paths).

The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفْظَةُ اللَّهِ) in his book, “*al-Ajwibah al-Mufeedah ‘an As’ilah al-Manaahij al-Jadeedah*” (Beneficial Answers Regarding Questions on the New Methodologies) pg. 19, he states: So the groups that have with them oppositions to the Book and Sunnah, the one who ascribes himself to them (i.e. these groups) is a Muftadi’ (deviant).

The ‘Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفْظَةُ اللَّهِ) “*al-Ajwibah al-Mufeedah ‘an As’ilah al-Manaahij al-Jadeedah*” (Beneficial Answers Regarding Questions on the New

Methodologies) pg. 10, he states: Anyone that opposes the *Jamaa'ah* (the saved and aided group) of *Ahlus Sunnah*, he is misguided. We only have one *Jamaa'ah* (saved and aided group) and they are *Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah*, and whoever opposes this *Jamaa'ah* (saved and aided group), he is an opposer to the minhaj (methodology) of the Messenger of Allaah, (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ).

Also, we say that anyone that opposes *Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah* is from the people of desires. The ruling on these oppositions differ with regards to misguidance and taking one outside the fold of Islaam according to the greatness or smallness of his opposition and according to his distance or closeness to the truth.

The 'Allaamah, the esteemed Shaykh, Saalih al-Fawzaan, (حَفَظَهُ اللَّهُ) in his book, "al-Ajwibah al-Mufeedah 'an As'ilah al-Manaahij al-Jadeedah" (Beneficial Answers Regarding Questions on the New Methodologies) pg. 7, he states: Whoever opposes this minhaj (methodology) – meaning the minhaj (methodology) of the Salaf – and treads upon another minhaj (methodology), he has nothing to do with us and we have nothing to do with him. We do not ascribe ourselves to him and he does not ascribe himself to us. That which he ascribes himself to is not to be called a *Jamaa'ah*. It is only to be called a *Firqah* (sect) from the deviant sects because the *Jamaa'ah* (the saved and aided group) is not except upon the truth, so it (i.e. the *Jamaa'ah*) is that which the people unite upon. As for falsehood, it divides (the people) and it does not unite (the people). He, Ta'aalaa, says:

وَإِنْ تَوَلَّوْا فَإِنَّمَا هُمْ فِي شِقَاقٍ

But if they turn away, then they are only in opposition

Soorah Baqarah (2): 137

The Hizbiyyoon (party partisans) have built their affair upon a foundation that is weak and unstable

فَمَنْ أَسَّسَ بُنْيَانَهُ عَلَى تَقْوَىٰ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَرِضْوَانٍ خَيْرٍ أَمْ مَنْ أَسَّسَ بُنْيَانَهُ عَلَىٰ شَفَا جُرُفٍ هَارٍ فَانْهَارَ بِهِ فِي نَارِ جَهَنَّمَ وَاللَّهُ لَا يَهْدِي الْقَوْمَ الظَّالِمِينَ

Is it then he who founded his building upon *Taqwaa* (to comply to His commands and to abstain from that which He prohibited) of Allaah and His good pleasure better, or he who founded his building on the brink of an undetermined precipice ready to crumble down, so that it crumbled to pieces with him into the fire of Hell. And Allaah guides not the people who are the *Dhaalimoon* (oppressors and wrong doers)

Soorah Tawbah (9): 109

And all praise is solely due to Allaah, by Himself, and may salutations be upon our leader Muhammad, his family, and companions.

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